

Agricultural income.

142. *Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of persons whose agricultural income per annum may amount to between Rs. 2,000 and Rs. 5,000?

Mr. A. Gunamony: Statistics in this behalf have not yet been collected.

Appointments of Munsiffs.

143. *Mr. K. Shahul Hameed (*Trivandrum and Nedumangad cum Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the communal rotation followed in the matter of appointment of Munsiffs from the Bar;

(b) under what group do the Muslims fall in it;

(c) what is the rank fixed for them in that group; and

(d) whether any Munsiffs have been appointed from amongst them after the rotation was put into force?

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai: (a) 1. Nair.

2. Miscellaneous (including Muhammedans, Brahmmins etc.)

3. Christians (including Catholics and non-Catholics)

4. Ezhava.

(b) Under 2 Miscellaneous.

(c) No fixed rank.

(d) Yes.

Mr. K. Sahul Hameed: With reference to part (b), may I know the name of the Munsiff who was appointed?

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai: Mr. Abdul Rahman Sahib.

Mr. Sahul Hameed: May I know the date on which communal rotation was put into effect?

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai: The information is not available now.

Revenue Copyists.

144. *Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing:

(a) the total number of Revenue copyists now in service, their average income per month, the manner in which the income from the copying section is now distributed, who all share in the income and in what proportion;

(b) is any comparing fee allowed to the Examiner for his comparing work in Civil Courts;

(c) in what proportion are the fees realised for giving copies of survey plans distributed and between whom;

(d) is any part of such fees realised in Civil Courts for giving copies of sketches, plans &c., divided or given to the Examiner ;

(e) is it a fact that Revenue copyists are doing piecework in that department and whether they are separately paid for such work or are they doing it gratis ;

(f) are Revenue copyists full-time servants like all other Government servants ;

(g) are Revenue copyists given any dearness allowance ;

(h) whether they have fixed any minimum-qualification for appointing such copyists ; and

(i) are such appointments made or advised by the Public Service Commissioner ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker (*Secretary to Government*) :

(a) 1. Total number of Revenue copyists 107.

2. Average income per month Rs. 8-2-10.

3. The income is being distributed among the Revenue copyists and comparing clerks at the rate of Chs. 2 for every copying paper copied by the copyists and $\frac{1}{2}$ ch. for every copying paper compared by clerks.

(b) No.

(c) Distributed among the copyists and comparing clerks in the proportion of 3 : 1.

(d) to (i) No.